
Teresa Ryan



Director, Shipbuilding Contracts Division Naval Sea Systems Command



Teresa Ryan is the Director of the Shipbuilding Contracts Division at the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA). Born in Kingsport, Tennessee, she attended East Tennessee State University where, in 1977, she earned a bachelor's of science in accounting. In 1987 she earned a master's of business administration from George Mason University, and in 2000, a master's of science in national resource strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF).

Ms. Ryan began her civil service career in 1977 as a budget analyst in NAVSEA's High Energy Laser Program. In 1978, she transitioned to the contracting career field, completing the Navy's three-year contracting intern program in 1981. From 1981 to 1985, Ms. Ryan was a contract negotiator in the Shipbuilding Contracts Division of NAVSEA where she negotiated contracts for FFG-7 frigates, Marine Corps amphibious assault vehicles, and *SSBN OHIO* Class submarines. From 1985 to 1988, she worked as a procurement analyst at the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Development and Acquisition). Returning to NAVSEA in 1988, Ms. Ryan was a Contracting Officer in the Undersea Systems Contracts Division where she was responsible for several major defense acquisition programs (ACAT 1D), including the *SEA LANCE ASW* Standoff Weapon and Surface Ship ASW Combat System. In 1996 she transferred to the Shipbuilding Contracts Division, where she led the competitive procurement of a new class of amphibious ships, LPD 17. Upon completing ICAF in 2000, Ms. Ryan headed the Resource and Policy Division of the NAVSEA Contracts Directorate. In this capacity, she was responsible for contract policy, oversight of field activity procurements, personnel, purchase card, and the administrative budget for the Contracts Directorate. In 2003 she returned to the Shipbuilding Contracts Division for the third time, as Branch Head for Surface Combatants, where she was responsible for procurements of destroyers (DDG 51 and DDG 1000) and Littoral Combat Ships. She was promoted to Deputy Division Director of the Shipbuilding Contracts Division in 2006.

A member of the Senior Executive Service, Ms. Ryan is currently the Director of the Shipbuilding Contracts Division, the largest buying activity in the federal government, with contract obligations in excess of \$10 billion annually. She supervises a team of 35 acquisition professionals responsible for procuring all of the Navy's nuclear and non-nuclear ships and submarines, as well as nuclear reactor components and small boats. In addition, she leads the Shipbuilding Contracting Competency, overseeing the contracts departments of four Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair (SUPSHIP) offices responsible for administering ship construction and overhaul contracts.

She is a recipient of the Navy Superior Civilian Service Medal and numerous Special Act awards.